

Message Text

PAGE 01 STATE 100222

42

ORIGIN IO-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 DOTE-00 EB-07 OIC-02 CAB-05 CIAE-00

COME-00 DODE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 FAA-00 CG-00 AF-06

ARA-10 EA-10 EUR-12 NEA-09 SSO-00 INRE-00 /079 R

DRAFTED BY IO/CMD:RAPOOLE:LYM

APPROVED BY IO/CMD:RAPOOLE

IO/TRC:MHOYT

DOT:WKBYRD

----- 107774

O R 301325Z APR 75

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO USMISSION USUN NEW YORK IMMEDIATE

INFO USMISSION GENEVA

UNCLAS STATE 100222

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ECOSOC, EGEN

SUBJECT: 58TH ECOSOC: ITEM 5, TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS
GOODS

REF: USUN 1398 (REPEATED TODAY TO GENEVA)

1. FOLLOWING CONFIRMS POOLE/KLEIN TELECON, APRIL 29.
2. WE UNDERSTAND FROM CHAIRMAN OF ECOSOC'S COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS, WILLIAM K. BYRD OF U.S. DOT (WHO IS RECOVERING FROM SERIOUS ILLNESS) THAT INITIAL DRAFTS OF THREE RESOLUTIONS ON THIS SUBJECT WERE DISCUSSED AND AGREED IN PRINCIPLE BY COMMITTEE AT ITS 8TH SESSION IN GENEVA, DECEMBER 1974. THEREAFTER, ECE SECRETARIAT (WHICH PROVIDES SECRETARIAT SERVICES FOR COMMITTEE) MADE CERTAIN NON-SUBSTANTIVE IMPROVEMENTS IN THESE DRAFTS, WHICH WERE THEN MAILED TO UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 STATE 100222

U.S., UK AND PRESUMABLY TO OTHER EIGHT MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE. DRAFT RESOLUTIONS A AND B, WHICH YOU WERE ASKED TO INTRODUCE ON BEHALF OF COMMITTEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH POSITION PAPER, INCORPORATED A FEW ADDITIONAL NON-SUBSTANTIVE

CHANGES MADE BY DOT AND DEPARTMENT IN THE INTERESTS OF
STYLE AND CLARITY. UK DRAFT RESOLUTION REPRESENTS REVISION

OF EARLIER DRAFT RESOLUTION C. THUS THE SUBSTANCE OF
ALL THREE RESOLUTIONS HAS BEEN AVAILABLE TO GOVERNMENTS
OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS THROUGH THEIR RESPECTIVE EXPERTS
SINCE LAST DECEMBER-JANUARY, ALTHOUGH IT APPEARS FROM
YOUR TELEGRAM THAT (BESIDES U.S.) ONLY UK HAS BEEN IN
TOUCH WITH ITS ECOSOC DELEGATION.

3. WE UNDERSTAND ALSO THAT PAST PRACTICE HAS BEEN FOR
COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED BY DELEGATION
OF NATIONALITY OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN (U.S. AND UK
BEFORE IT) AS PROPOSALS OF THAT DELEGATION RATHER THAN
AS PROPOSALS CO-SPONSORED BY ALL TEN COUNTRIES, SINCE
IT HAS BEEN CHAIRMAN'S RESPONSIBILITY TO GET COMMITTEE
RESOLUTIONS BEFORE THE ECOSOC. (AS EXCEPTION, UK'S
INTEREST IN PRESENTING REVISED RESOLUTION C WAS NOTED
IN COMMITTEE'S REPORT.)

4. U.S. CHAIRMAN HAS EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT ANY DELAY
IN PRESENTING THESE RESOLUTIONS WOULD NOT ONLY BE
CONTRARY TO HIS RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE COMMITTEE BUT
WOULD LEAD TO SUBSTANTIAL DELAYS IN FURTHER IMPLE-
MENTATION OF THESE IMPORTANT STANDARDS. FOR EXAMPLE,
IMCO IS MAKING PREPARATIONS TO ADOPT THESE STANDARDS
ONCE ENDORSED BY ECOSOC, AND IATA HAS ADOPTED A
RESOLUTION ASKING FOR HARMONIZATION OF STANDARDS IN
LINE WITH COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

5. FOR THESE REASONS, AFTER EXPLAINING SITUATION TO
DELEGATIONS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES WHO HAVE MEMBERS ON
COMMITTEE, AND AFTER COORDINATING WITH UK DELEGATION
SO THAT IT CAN TAKE SIMULTANEOUS STEPS WITH UK
RESOLUTION, YOU ARE REQUESTED TO SUBMIT DRAFT RESOLU-
TIONS A AND B AS U.S. PROPOSALS, TO MEET APRIL 30
DEADLINE, AND TO MAKE APPROPRIATE REMARKS IN
UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 03 STATE 100222

INTRODUCING THESE RESOLUTIONS WHEN DISCUSSION OF AGENDA
ITEM 5 RESUMES ON MAY 2. (WE WILL COMMUNICATE WITH
YOU FURTHER ON SUBSTANCE OF YOUR REMARKS.) AS STATED
IN POSITION PAPER, YOU SHOULD SUPPORT UK RESOLUTION, ON
UNDERSTANDING THEY WILL SUPPORT OURS.

6. AS FAR AS WE ARE ABLE TO DETERMINE, COMMITTEE'S
PRINCIPAL REPORT ON ITS 8TH SESSION (E/CN.2/CONF.5/57
DATED DECEMBER 23, 1974, SENT TO YOU WITH POSITION
PAPER) INEXPLICABLY HAS NOT BEEN DISTRIBUTED BY
SECRETARIAT AS ECOSOC DOCUMENT, ALTHOUGH IT IS
REFERRED TO IN THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S REPORT ON
THE SUBJECT (E/5621). (COMMITTEE'S REPORT COVERED

BY E/5620 IS NOT, REPEAT NOT, THE COMMITTEE'S MAIN REPORT, AS IT DEALS PRINCIPALLY WITH COMPLIANCE WITH ECOSOC RESOLUTIONS 1743 AND 1744 OF MAY 1973.) SINCE MAIN REPORT PROVIDES PRINCIPAL SUBSTANCE OF THIS ITEM AND OF DRAFT RESOLUTIONS (I.E. DETAILED AND HIGHLY TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO COMMITTEE'S 6-VOLUME "RECOMMENDATIONS", AND FURTHER STEPS TO BE TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE, UN MEMBER STATES AND UN AGENCIES), YOU SHOULD REQUEST SECRETARIAT TO DISTRIBUTE THIS REPORT IMMEDIATELY AS ECOSOC DOCUMENT.

7. ONCE U.S. AND UK HAVE INTRODUCED THEIR THREE RESOLUTIONS, WE WOULD BE PLEASED IF OTHER ECOSOC MEMBERS ARE IN POSITION TO APPROVE THEM IN THIS SESSION, BUT WE WILL HAVE TO BE PREPARED TO RESPECT THEIR VIEWS IF THEY INSIST THAT FURTHER TIME IS REQUIRED FOR CONSULTATIONS. IN LATTER EVENT, YOU MAY AGREE TO DEFERRING FINAL ACTION UNTIL 59TH ECOSOC NEXT JULY, AT WHICH THERE WOULD THEN BE NO EXCUSE FOR FURTHER DELAY SINCE ALL DELEGATIONS WILL HAVE RECEIVED PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORT WELL IN ADVANCE. (WE APPRECIATE MISSION'S SUGGESTION THAT INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS BE DELAYED UNTIL 59TH ECOSOC BECAUSE OF CONSULTATION PROBLEM, BUT WE ARE AFRAID THAT IF WE DO NOT SUCCEED IN INTRODUCING THESE PROPOSALS AT THIS SESSION WE WILL RUN INTO SAME PROBLEM AT 59TH SESSION, WITH RISK OF FURTHER SLIPPAGE

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 04 STATE 100222

WHICH WOULD BE MOST UNFORTUNATE.)

8. IF UK DELEGATION HAS ANY PROBLEM WITH THIS SCENARIO, PLEASE COMMUNICATE FURTHER. KISSINGER

UNCLASSIFIED

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 26 AUG 1999
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: COMMITTEE MEETINGS, DANGEROUS CARGO, MEETING PROCEEDINGS, TRANSPORTATION
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 30 APR 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975STATE100222
Document Source: ADS
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: IO/CMD:RAPOOLE:LYM
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: n/a
Film Number: D750151-0840
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t197504104/baaaaiim.tel
Line Count: 147
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, TEXT ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN IO
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ShawDG
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 09 JUL 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <09 JUL 2003 by leeperne>; APPROVED <11 FEB 2004 by ShawDG>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: <DBA CORRECTED> jms 971202
Subject: n/a
TAGS: EGEN, ETRN, ECOSOC
To: USUN N Y INFO GENEVA
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006